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Jeff S. Jordan, Esq.  
Federal Election Commission  
Office of the General Counsel  
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Re: MUR 5552

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is in response to your correspondence regarding MUR 5552 which concerns the lack of a disclaimer on a Kerry/Edwards yard sign photographed by the complainant.

To the best of our knowledge, the lawn sign pictured was not paid for or produced by the Democratic National Committee. The sign appears to indicate that it was produced by an entity called DemStore.com. DemStore.com is not in anyway affiliated or associated with the Democratic National Committee. In addition, because lawn signs are not included in the definition of a "public communication" under 11 CFR §100.26, they are not subject to the disclaimer requirements found at 11 CFR §110.11(a). Accordingly, no action should be taken against the DNC Services Corporation/Democratic National Committee or Andrew Tobias as Treasurer.

Please contact me at (202) 479-5153 if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Amanda S. La Forge  
Legal Counsel

Enclosure:  
Designation of Counsel Form



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Statement of Designation of Counsel

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The above named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

10/29/04

Date

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Information is being sought as part of an investigation being conducted by the Federal Election Commission and the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) apply. This section prohibits making public any investigation conducted by the Federal Election Commission without the express written consent of the person under investigation.

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